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## Venezuela

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### Venezuelan Rainfall Estimates

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**Report Highlights:**

The Venezuelan Meteorological Service recently provided estimates of rainfall for the 2010 dry season.

**General Information:**

Begin informal translation:

According to a recent bulletin issued by the Air Force's Meteorology Service available at [www.meteorologia.mil.ve](http://www.meteorologia.mil.ve), a feasible rainfall estimation for the 2010 dry season (November until

April) has been established.

For the 2010 dry season, normal rainfall is expected, but in some areas the analysis performed indicates fluctuations trending towards Strong or Weak.

Based on their analysis, most of the national territory shows a rainfall pattern within the Normal category, that means, within the average, except for Acarigua, western Guárico, northern Monagas and Aragua, northeast Anzoátegui, southern Sucre, Táchira and Mérida, and eastern Zulia and Barinas, where there are estimations of a Strong summer, which means that the rain will fall below normal averages.

On the other hand, weather estimates are classified as Weak in: Trujillo, Puerto Ayacucho, Ciudad Bolívar, the western portion of Zulia, northern Guárico and Cojedes and southern Aragua. According to details provided by the Bulletin on expected summer 2010 characteristics, the summer will be Strong in the Los Llanos area: Calabozo and San Fernando de Apure, with an estimated precipitation of 11 to 148 mm and 66-121 mm respectively; Normal in the Valle de la Pascua area (90-110mm), and Barinas (295-304 mm), Guasdualito (236-394mm); and Weak in El Sombrero area (131-164 mm) and San Juan de Los Morros (202-248 mm).

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